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In re Application of :
Charu Aneja et al : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 09/845,959 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)
Filed: April 30, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. RCA 90,192 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed November 15, 2004, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is granted.

This application became abandoned for failure to timely file a proper reply to the final Office action of May 5, 2004, which set a three month shortened statutory period for reply. No extensions of time pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the date of abandonment of this application is August 6, 2004.

The petition satisfies the requirements for a grantable petition in that the reply in the form of a Request for Continued Examination and the submission required by 37 CFR 1.114; the petition fee of \$1,370; and the required statement of unintentional delay have been submitted. Accordingly, the reply to the final Office action of May 5, 2004 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

Inquiries related to this communication should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3218.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center AU 2614 for processing the RCE and for appropriate action on the concurrently filed Amendment and Response.

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